



The Kentucky Council on
Developmental Disabilities

2001-2006 State Plan

Executive Summary

Introduction:

The Executive Summary of the Federal Fiscal Year 2001-2006 Plan.

The Kentucky Council on Developmental Disabilities (KCDD) was authorized by Executive Order of the Governor, in accordance with Public Law 106-402, the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act. The purpose of the KCDD is to undertake advocacy, capacity building, and systematic change activities that contribute to a coordinated, consumer and family center, consumer and family directed, comprehensive system that includes needed community services, individualized support, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination for individuals with developmental disabilities.

The KCDD is comprised of twenty-six members. Sixty percent are individuals with developmental disabilities or parents/guardians of individuals with disabilities and forty percent are representatives of major state agencies that serve people with developmental disabilities. These include a representative from the state's University Center of Excellence, state's Protection and Advocacy system, and a local and non-governmental private nonprofit concerned with services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The Cabinet for Health Services/ Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, has been designated by the Governor to provide administrative support to the Council, thus they are referred to as the Councils Designated State Agency (DAS). The KCDD employs sufficient staff to carry out the goals and objectives outlined in its five-year plan.

The Council, at present, has a budget of approximate \$800,000 to allocate to projects. While these funds are limited considering the tremendous need in Kentucky, for persons with developmental disabilities, the Council has been successful in budgeting the funds to affect capacity building, advocacy, and systems change.

The Developmental Disabilities Assistance Act (DDA) Public Law 106-402 of October 30, 2000 recognizes nine “Areas of Emphasis” that are to be used to fulfill not only the purpose and intent of the DDA, but also fulfill the Mission and Vision of the Kentucky Council.

These areas are:

- ♦ **Employment**
- ♦ **Education and Early Intervention**
- ♦ **Health**
- ♦ **Transportation**
- ♦ **Quality Assurance**
- ♦ **Formal and Informal Community Supports**
- ♦ **Child Care**
- ♦ **Housing**
- ♦ **Recreation**

The Council in development of its five year plan has chosen to focus on the first areas noted above. Using an “Outcome” based framework the Council has set “Targets” for these six areas chosen. These targets will be used as a guide for the Council to determine the effectiveness of its Plan. Modifications and amendments will be made, as warranted, on an annual basis’ to assure that the citizens of Kentucky with developmental disabilities are provided with opportunities that are innovative, creative and timely.

The following provides a description of the Kentucky performance targets as they relate to the “Areas of Emphasis” noted in the DDA.

In keeping with the purpose and interest of the federal law the Council developed the following mission and vision to provide a central focus to Kentucky's state plan.

Mission:

Create change through visionary leadership and advocacy so that people have choice and control over their own lives.

Vision:

All Kentuckians have equal opportunity to choice and control in their lives.



KCDD 2001-2006 FIVE-YEAR PLAN

Employment: People get and keep employment consistent with their interest, abilities and needs.

Target 1: By 2003, at least 20 individuals with developmental disabilities will have a for profit self owned business.

Education and Early Intervention: Students reach their educational potential and infants and young children reach their development potential.

Target 1: By 2003, 40 students with disabilities will be included in general education settings with appropriate supports.

Health: People are healthy and benefit from the full range of needed health services.

Target 1: By 2003, five schools that train medical, allied health and/or nursing will have in their curriculum practical experiences with individuals with disabilities of all ages.

Transportation: People have transportation services for work, school, medical and personal needs.

Target 1: By 2006, at least one piece of current modified legislation or Council initiated legislation relating to transportation will be passed.

Target 2: By 2006, at least one regulatory policy relating to transportation will be developed/ changed.

Quality Assurance: People have the information, skills, opportunities, and support to live free of abuse, neglect, financial and sexual exploitation, and violation of their human and legal rights and the inappropriate use of restraints or seclusion. Quality assurance systems contribute to and protect self-determination,

independence, productivity and integration and inclusion in all facets of community life.

Target 1: By 2005, there will be a grassroots citizens group who comes together regularly to impact any legislation and policy issues relating to people with developmental disabilities.

Target 2: By 2003, 200 people will call the Hispanic outreach number and get information on developmental disabilities they request.

Target 3: By 2006, 10 legislators who have influence in the community will lead KY to the forefront of disability issues.

Target 4: By 2006, 20 Council members who use KCDD Computers/equipment will achieve at least 2 of the following every 12 months.

1. 20 Legislative/Decision maker contact report they understand/are aware of the issue (s) presented.
2. Council members learn at least 8 things that they use in their role as Council members.
3. At least 8 organizations/individuals receive information from a Council member that they report was helpful.

Target 5: By 2006 at least 2 pieces of modified current legislation or Council initiated legislation will be passed.

Target 6: By 2006, at least 1 regulatory policy will be developed/modified that contribute to systems change.

Target 7: By 2006, 100 Council members and/or consumers who receive Council funds will share knowledge, present to Council, affect change or meet a personal need.

Target 8: By 2006, 2000 individuals who attend a conference sponsored by the KCDD will report at least 2 ways they can use the information they received at the conference.

Formal and Informal Community Supports: Individuals have access to other services available or offered in a community, including formal and informal community supports that affect their quality of life.

Target 1: By 2003, 80 individuals will determine how to spend their time and will live where they can afford to live.

Target 2: By 2006, 10 people will demonstrate benefits through a HB 144 (SCL Waiver) pilot project.

Target 3: By September 2004, 3 communities will impact at least 2 of the following systems for citizens of their community:

- ♦ Housing
- ♦ Employment
- ♦ Education
- ♦ Health
- ♦ Self-Determination
- ♦ Transportation

Cross Cutting:

Target 1: By 2006, the Council will distribute public awareness material that will enhance awareness on issues relating to 1250 persons with developmental disabilities and 100 policy makers.

NOTE: Federal Areas of Emphasis that were not addressed: CHILD CARE, RECREATION, and HOUSING.

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WHAT IS A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY?

The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-402) defines a developmental disability *as a severe, chronic disability of an individual that --*

- ⇒ Is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments;
- ⇒ Is manifested before the individual attains age 22;
- ⇒ Is likely to continue indefinitely;
- ⇒ Results in substantial functional limitations in 3 or more of the following areas of major life activity:
 - Self-care.
 - Receptive and expressive language.
 - Learning.
 - Mobility.
 - Self-direction.
 - Capacity for independent living.
 - Economic self-sufficiency; and
- ⇒ Reflects the individual's need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic services, individualized supports, or other forms of assistance that are of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated.
- ⇒ **INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN** - An individual from birth to age 9, inclusive, who has a substantial developmental delay or specific congenital or acquired condition, may be considered to have developmental disability without meeting 3 or more of the criteria described above, if the individual, without services and supports, has high probability of meeting those criteria late in life.

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